**Free reduction in IIMs**

1485. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to reduce the fees charged by the Indian Institutes of Management in order to enable poor students also to join the Institute;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (c) There is no proposal with the Government to reduce the fees charged by the Indian Institutes of Management (IIMs).

The Government have accepted the collective decision of all the six IIMs that no student will face any difficulty in pursuing education at their Institutes for want of financial resources. In this regard, they have decided to provide need-based financial assistance to both the first and second year students, whose annual gross family income is Rs. 2 lakh and below, amounting up to full tuition fee waiver.

**Universities not recognised by UGC**

†1486. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the University Grants Commission has submitted a list of the universities to Government which are not recognized by the Commission; and

(b) if so, the State-wise details of such universities and the action being taken by Government against them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.